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SUBJ: POSSIBLE COOPERATIVE REMOTE SENSING SCREWORM ERADICATION
EXPERIMENT

REF: MEXICO 9109

1. IN FOLLOW- UP ACTION ON MIXED COMMISSION APPROVAL OF
NASA PROPOSED SCIENTIFIC EXPERIMENT, GOM SPACE COMMISSION
(CONEE) DIRECTOR GENERAL MENDEZ DOCCURO WHO ALSO SECRETARY
COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSPORT, IN LETTER TO FOREIGN
SECRETARY RABASA, DATED NOVEMBER 12, ADVISED LATTER OF
MIXED COMMISSION REQUEST THAT CONEE PROCEED WITH
NASA PROJECT, INDICATING CONEE INTEREST SO DOING AND
REQUESTING FONSEC APROVAL. LETTER DATED MARKED AS RECEIVED
IN FONSEC NOV. 29.

2. ON NOV. 30, DR. BARNES OF HOUSTON SPACE CENTER
ADVISED EMBASSY THAT UNLESS GOM AUTHORIZATION FORTH-
COMING SHORTLY, NASA FUNDS EARMARKED FOR PROJECT MIGHT
BE LOST. THIS DANGER CONVEYED IMMEDIATELY TO APPROPRIATE GOM
AUTHORITIES.

3. IN LATE DECEMBER 13 CONVERSATION WITH FONSEC OFFICIAL
HANDLING MATTER (VALDES), LATTER EXPLAINED TO EMBREP
THAT FONSEC CONSIDERATION DELAYED BY ABSENCE FROM
MEXICO CITY OF HIGUERA MOTA, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CONEE
WHO HAS NOW RETURNED. VALDES GAVE ASSURANCES THAT
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DESPITE GOM YEAR END HOLIDAY, STARTING DECEMBER 14, THAT

HE WOULD REVIEW MATTER AND COME BACK TO EMBREP EARLY
WEEK OF DEC 17, HE MADE NO COMMITMENT BUT APPEARED SANGUINE.

4. IN LIGHT ABOVE, DEVELOPMENTS, ALL FAVORABLE TO
DATE, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS DEPARTMENT CONSIDER SUGGESTING
TO NSA THAT LIQUIDITY EARMARKED FUNDS BE MAINTAINED
PENDING DEFINITIVE GOM ACTION. EMBASSY FULLY UNDERSTANDS
NASA IMPATIENCE AT RECURRING DELAYS BUT HOPEFUL EVENTUAL
APPROVAL SCREWORM ERADICATION EXPERIMENT MAY OPEN WAY
FOR GOM ACCEPTANCE OTHER NASA PROJECTS IN FUTURE.
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